

TENDER ENERGY X-RAY ABSORPTION SPECTROSCOPY (TES)

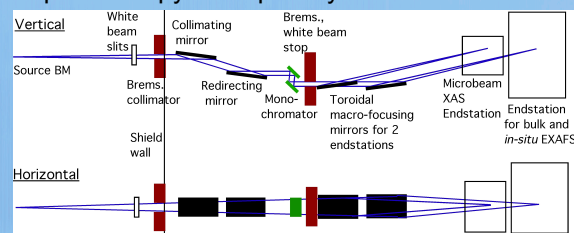
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TECHNIQUES: High performance and *in-situ* X-ray absorption spectroscopy and spatially-resolved XAS of structured materials; optimized for the “tender” energy range from 1.2 up to 8 keV.

- Will enable **spatially-resolved** and ***in-situ*** studies of speciation and local structure by XAS, X-ray fluorescence (XRF) and spectroscopic imaging, in a *non-vacuum environment*.
- Chemical sensitivity to **key lighter elements** Mg through Ti, and advantageous heavier-element L and M edges such as Cd, Pd, U.
- Optimized for the **NSLS-II dipole bend** source: high brightness over a tunable spatial resolution and energy scanning across 1.2-8 keV.



CAPABILITIES:

Source: dipole bend magnet, E_c 2.39 keV. Two optimized endstations.

Energy Range: 1.2 to 8 keV (optimized for 1.2-5 keV).

Spatial Resolution: 1x1 mm to <1x1 μ m; **Flux:** up to 3×10^{12} ph/sec.

Detection: high- and low-count-rate XRF from 0.9 to 8.3 keV.

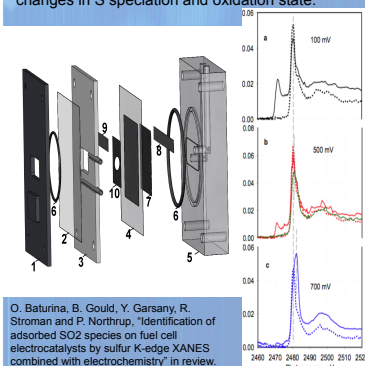
Speed: on-the-fly scanning for ~1 minute EXAFS and/or rapid imaging.

Energy (keV)	High-performance and <i>in-situ</i> XAS endstation		Microbeam XAS and spectroscopic imaging endstation		
	Flux, at 0.2x0.2 to 1.2x0.5 mm (ph/s at sample)	Flux, at 19x23 microns	Flux, at 6x7 microns	Flux, at 1x1 micron	
1.2	1.15×10^{12}	5.4×10^{11}	2.85×10^{11}	6.8×10^9	
2	3.5×10^{12}	2.3×10^{12}	1.0×10^{12}	2.4×10^{10}	
3	2.8×10^{12}	1.9×10^{12}	7.7×10^{11}	1.8×10^{10}	
4	1.9×10^{12}	1.2×10^{12}	4.5×10^{11}	1.1×10^{10}	
5	1.3×10^{12}	7.2×10^{11}	2.7×10^{11}	6.4×10^9	
7.5	5.1×10^{11}	2.15×10^{11}	8.1×10^{10}	1.9×10^9	

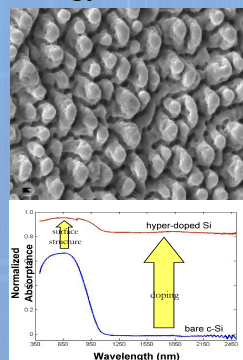
APPLICATIONS: Focus on *Energy, Climate, Soil and Earth Sciences*

Sulfur poisoning of Fuel-Cell catalysts: *in-situ* XAS

- Novel **Spectroelectrochemical cell** design for *in-situ* measurements of fuel-cell catalyst at controlled electrochemical potential and under gas flow, all compatible with low-energy fluorescence-mode XAS measurements.
- Real fuel-cell materials and geometry.
- Sample spectra under varying potentials, indicating changes in S speciation and oxidation state.

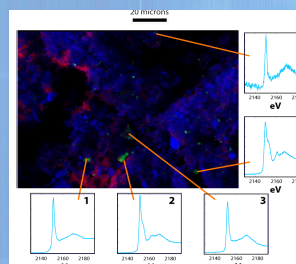


O. Baturina, B. Gould, Y. Garsany, R. Stroman and P. Northrup, "Identification of adsorbed SO₂ species on fuel cell electrocatalysts by sulfur K-edge XANES combined with electrochemistry" in review.



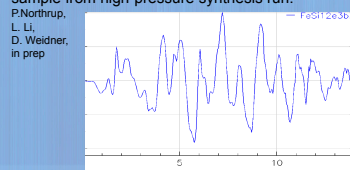
Sulfur-doped silicon: Enhanced efficiency photovoltaics.

Surface structure (SEM) image of micro-textured and hyper-doped Si. Surface texture increases intrinsic absorption of the Si at the usual wavelengths; hyper-doping dramatically increases absorption at higher wavelengths.
B. Newman, T. Buonassisi, P. Northrup, in prep



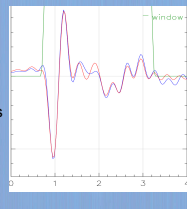
Investigation of site disorder in high-pressure silicate phases: Si K-edge EXAFS.

EXAFS data (k^2 -weighted) suitable for determination of site disorder in microgram-size sample from high-pressure synthesis run.



Nutrient sorption processes in poor and highly-leached soils: P, S, Ca, Mg, and K EXAFS.

S K-edge EXAFS (Fourier transform, real) data and fit for sulfate adsorbed to gibbsite mineral surface. Fit includes S-O, multiple scattering, and distances to two Al and one O in the substrate.



Phosphorus distribution and speciation: Key nutrient cycling and bioavailability influence global photosynthesis and biofuel/agricultural productivity.

Spatial and species heterogeneity of phosphorus in a natural sediment. Colors represent P (green), Si (blue) and Na (red). Point spectra indicate a variety of species.
Ingall, Brandes, Diaz, deJonge, Paterson, McNulty, Elliott, Northrup, "Phosphorus K-edge XANES spectroscopy of mineral standards," J. Synch. Rad., 18 (2011).
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SCIENTIFIC IMPACT:

- Energy Materials:** Photovoltaic, fuel-cell, battery and superconducting (nano)materials.
- Catalysis/Chemistry:** Materials (zeolites, thin films, nanomaterials), reaction mechanisms and intermediate species, poisoning of catalysts.
- Environmental/Earth Science:** Biogeochemical and redox processes, contaminant behavior and remediation; Ca-Mg-Si high-pressure phases.
- Climate:** Terrestrial/marine C cycling, carbonate (bio) mineralization, geologic record of climate change, ocean chemistry, CO₂ sequestration.
- Sustainability:** Nutrient cycling, transport and bioavailability, biofuel/biomass productivity, especially in poor and leached tropical soils.

DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY:

- Our goal is *high productivity at the earliest possible date*.
- Strategy combines in-house and external aspects to create world-class capabilities and develop cutting-edge research programs -- and be ready to go on Day One.
- Utilize upgraded facilities at NSLS **X19A** Facility Beamline and **X15B** User Consortium-operated beamline.
- Design, commission TES microprobe endstation at X15B.
- Synchrotron Catalysis Consortium and BNL Chemistry: ongoing development of *in-situ* programs at X19A.
- Pre-test and commission optical components at NSLS.
- Collaborate closely with **ISS** (NEXT beamline for high-flux hard X-ray spectroscopies), **XFM** (hard X-ray micro-spectroscopy beamline), and **SRX** (Project Beamline: submicron hard X-ray probe) development teams.